# THE MINUTES OF THE HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ON FAMILY AND CHILDREN SERVICES

Thursday, November 30, 2006

8:30 a.m.

**Room 326 House Office Building** 

The House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services was called to order by **Representative Stahl**, Chair.

**MEMBERS PRESENT**: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.

# MEMBERS ABSENT/EXCUSED: None.

## Chairman Stahl laid HB 6580 and HB 6587 before the committee:

HB 6580 Kooiman Human services; services or financial assistance; family independence

eligibility and work first exemptions; revise.

HB 6587 Kolb Human services; services or financial assistance; participation in

education program to meet work first requirement; revise.

## **TESTIMONY**

**Representative Kooiman**, sponsor of HB 6578 and HB 6580, explained his bills to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

**Representative Kolb**, sponsor of HB 6587, explained his bill to the committee. Questions and discussion followed.

**Jackie Doig**, attorney for the Center for Civil Justice, submitted a card and written testimony in opposition to the bills and did not wish to speak.

**Ron Hicks**, representing the Michigan Department of Human Services, testified indicating neutrality on the bills.

**Representative VanderVeen** moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **HB 6580**. The motion was supported by **Representative Hoogendyk**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-1**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: None,

Pass: Representative Spade.

**Representative Pearce** moved to adopt the substitute **(H-1)** to **6587**. The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-0-1**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: None,

Pass: Representative Spade.

# Representative Pearce offered the following amendments to HB 6580 (H-1):

- 1. Amend page 1, line 2, by striking out "57V" and inserting "57T".
- 2. Amend page 18, following line 15, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 6587 is enacted into law.".

**Representative Pearce** moved to adopt the amendments. The motion was supported by **Representative Vander Veen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **8-1-0**.

# **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: Representative Spade,

Pass: None.

# Representative Vander Veen offered the following amendments to HB 6587 (H-1):

- 1. Amend page 1, line 2, after "a" by striking out the balance of the line through "RESPONSIBILITY" on line 3 and inserting "FAMILY SELF-SUFFICIENCY".
  - 2. Amend page 3, following line 18, by inserting:

"Enacting section 1. This amendatory act does not take effect unless House Bill No. 6580 of the 93<sup>rd</sup> Legislature is enacted into law.".

**Representative Vander Veen** moved to adopt the amendments. The motion was supported by **Representative Pearce**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **7-2-0**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: Representatives Spade and Polidori,

Pass: None.

**Representative Hoogendyk** moved to report **HB 6580** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-2**). The motion was supported by **Representative Sheen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **5-2-2**.

## **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk and Sheen,

Nays: Representatives Clack and Polidori, Pass: Representatives Spade and Lemmons, Jr.

**Representative Pearce** moved to report **HB 6587** with recommendation, as substitute (**H-2**). The motion was supported by **Representative Vander Veen**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **5-2-2**.

#### **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk and Sheen,

Nays: Representatives Clack and Polidori, Pass: Representatives Spade and Lemmons, Jr.

## Chairman Stahl laid SB 1412 before the committee:

SB 1412 Sanborn Children; protection; federal requirement to submit central registry

cases to national database; comply.

# **TESTIMONY**

**Phil Hedges**, from Senator Sanborn's office, testified in support of the bill.

**Ron Hicks**, representing the Michigan Department of Human Services, submitted a card in support of the bill and did not wish to speak.

**Representative Polidori** moved to report **SB 1412** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **7-0-0**.

## **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Clack, Spade, Polidori, and Lemmons,

Jr.,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Representative Hoogendyk moved to reconsider the vote by which SB 1412 was reported with recommendation. The motion was supported by Representative Vander Veen. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous consent.

**Representative Polidori** moved to report **SB 1412** with recommendation. The motion was supported by **Representative Clack**.

The motion prevailed by a vote of **9-0-0**.

## **FAVORABLE ROLL CALL:**

Yeas: Representatives Stahl, Pearce, Vander Veen, Hoogendyk, Sheen, Clack, Spade, Polidori and Lemmons, Jr.,

Nays: None, Pass: None.

Chairman Stahl laid HB 6661 before the committee:

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HB 6661 Hummel Children; adoption; federal adoption subsidies; codify.

# **TESTIMONY**

**Romy Crawford**, from Representative Hummel's office, testified and submitted written testimony in support of the bill.

Vice Chair Pearce assumed the chair at 10:12 a.m.

Chairman Stahl resumed the chair at 10:19 a.m.

**Representative Vander Veen** moved to adopt the minutes of the **September 13, 2006** meeting. The motion was supported by **Representative Pearce**. There being no objection, the motion prevailed by unanimous vote.

The committee went at ease at 10:29 a.m.

The committee reconvened in the Capitol Building, Room 426 at 12:20 p.m.

The committee returned to the consideration of **HB 6661**.

# **TESTIMONY**

**Jamie Hope**, from Representative Stahl's office, testified in support of the bill.

**Romy Crawford**, from Representative Hummel's office, testified in support of the bill.

The committee went at ease at 1:04 p.m.

The committee reconvened in at 1:16 p.m.

There being no further business to come before the committee, the Chair adjourned the meeting at 1:16 p.m.

Representative John Stahl, Chair
House Standing Committee on Family and Children Services
Malika Abdur-Rashid
Committee Clerk
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2 Hours 55 Minutes